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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 2-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed **October 4, 2002**, said period of response being extended from **January 4, 2003** to **March 4, 2003**.

Our check in the amount of \$410.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a entity.

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